AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1.(Original) A method for treating diseases caused by and/or associated with an altered protein kinase activity which comprises administering to a mammal in need thereof an effective amount of a pyrazole-tetrahydro pyridine derivative represented by formula (I):

wherein R represents hydrogen or halogen atom, or an optionally substituted group selected from aryl C₂-C₆ alkenyl, (heterocyclyl) C₂-C₆ alkenyl, C₂-C₆ alkynyl, aryl C₂-C₆ alkynyl, or (heterocyclyl) C₂-C₆ alkynyl group, -R', -COR', -COOR', -CN, -CONR'R", -OR', -S(O)_qR', -SO₂NR'R", -B(OR"')₂, -SnR"", wherein R' and R", the same or different, independently represent hydrogen atom or an optionally further substituted straight or branched C₁-C₆ alkyl, C₂-C₆ alkenyl, saturated or unsaturated C₃-C₆ cycloalkyl, aryl, heterocyclyl, aryl C₁-C₆ alkyl or (heterocyclyl)C₁-C₆ alkyl; R"" represents hydrogen, C₁-C₆ alkyl, or R"", together with the two oxygen and the boron atoms, forms a saturated or unsaturated C₅-C₈ (hetero)cycloalkyl, optionally benzocondensed or substituted, and R"" represents C₁-C₆ alkyl;

 R_1 represents hydrogen atom or an optionally substituted group selected from -R', $-CH_2R$ ', -COR', -COR', -CONR'R", -NH-C(=NH)NHR', -C(=NH)NHR', $-S(O)_qR$ ', or $-SO_2NR$ 'R", wherein R' and R" are as defined above;

 R_2 represents hydrogen atom, -COR', -COOR', -CONR'R", -S(O)_q R', -SO₂NR'R", C₁-C₆ alkyl or (heterocyclyl)C₁-C₆ alkyl group, wherein R' and R" are as defined above;

 R_a , R_b , R_c and R_d , being the same or different, independently represent hydrogen atom, an optionally further substituted straight or branched C_1 - C_6 alkyl, aryl, heterocyclyl, aryl C_1 - C_6 alkyl, (heterocyclyl) C_1 - C_6 alkyl or - CH_2OR ' group, wherein R' is as above defined, or R_a and R_b and/or R_c and R_d , taken together with the carbon atom to which they are bonded, form an optionally substituted, saturated or unsaturated, C_3 - C_6 cycloalkyl group; q is 0, 1 or 2; m and n, each independently, represents 0 or 1, provided that m + n is equal to 1; or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

2.(Original) The method of claim 1 wherein the disease caused by and/or associated with an altered protein kinase activity is selected from the group consisting of cancer, cell proliferative disorders, Alzheimer's disease, viral infections, auto-immune diseases and neurodegenerative disorders.

3.(Original) The method of claim 2 wherein the cancer is selected from carcinoma, squamous cell carcinoma, hematopoietic tumors of myeloid or lymphoid lineage, tumors of mesenchymal origin, tumors of the central and peripheral nervous system, melanoma, seminoma, teratocarcinoma, osteosarcoma, xeroderma pigmentosum, keratocanthoma, thyroid follicular cancer and Kaposi's sarcoma.

4.(Original) The method of claim 2 wherein the cell proliferative disorder is selected from the group consisting of benign prostate hyperplasia, familial adenomatosis polyposis, neuro-fibromatosis, psoriasis, vascular smooth cell proliferation associated with atherosclerosis, pulmonary fibrosis, arthritis glomerulonephritis and post-surgical stenosis and restenosis.

5.(Original) The method of claim 1 which provides tumor angiogenesis and metastasis inhibition.

6.(Original) The method of claim 1 further comprising subjecting the mammal in need thereof to a radiation therapy or chemotherapy regimen in combination with at least one cytostatic or cytotoxic agent.

7.(Original) The method of claim 1 wherein the mammal in need thereof is a human.

8.(Original) The method of claim 1 wherein in the compound of formula (I) R is H, I, Br, Cl, F, aryl, C₂-C₆ alkenyl, C₂-C₆ alkynyl, -B(OR"")₂, -COR', -CONR'R", -CN, SO₂R', OR', SR', and R₁ is H, C₁-C₆ alkyl, aryl, -COR', -CONR'R", -COOR', -SO₂R', or -SO₂NR'R", and R₂ is H, -COOR', -COR', -CONR'R", C₁-C₆ alkyl, -SO₂R', or -SO₂NR'R", (heterocyclyl) C₁-C₆ alkyl group, wherein R' and R", the same or different, are selected from hydrogen or optionally substituted straight or branched C₁-C₆ alkyl, aryl or aryl C₁-C₆ alkyl groups;

 R_a , R_b , R_c and R_d , the same or different, are selected from hydrogen or straight or branched C_1 - C_3 alkyl or, taken together with the carbon atom to which they are bonded form a C_3 - C_6 cycloalkyl group.

9.(Original) The method of claim 1 wherein, in the compound of formula (I), R is selected from aryl, -COR', -CONR'R", wherein R' and R", the same or different, are selected from hydrogen or optionally substituted straight or branched C₁-C₆ alkyl, aryl or aryl C₁-C₆ alkyl groups.

10.(Original) The method of claim 1 wherein, in the compound of formula (I), R₁ is selected from H, C₁-C₆ alkyl, aryl, -COR', -CONR'R", COOR', -SO₂R' or -SO₂NR'R", wherein R' and R", the same or different, are selected from hydrogen or optionally substituted straight or branched C₁-C₆ alkyl, aryl or aryl C₁-C₆ alkyl groups.

11.(Original) The method of claim 1 wherein, in the compound of formula (I), R_2 is H, -COOR', -CONR'R", C_1 - C_6 alkyl, wherein R' and R", the same or different, are selected from hydrogen or optionally substituted straight or branched C_1 - C_6 alkyl, aryl or aryl C_1 - C_6 alkyl groups.

12.(Currently Amended) A method for inhibiting protein kinase activity which comprises contacting the said kinase with an effective amount of a compound of formula (I) as defined in according to claim 1.

13.(Original) A pyrrolo-tetrahydro pyridine derivative represented by formula (I):

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
R & & & & & & & \\
\hline
(CH_2)_m & & & & & & \\
R_d & & & & & & \\
R_c & & & & & & \\
R_1 & & & & & & \\
\end{array}$$
(I)

wherein R represents hydrogen or halogen atom, or an optionally substituted group selected from aryl C₂-C₆ alkenyl, (heterocyclyl) C₂-C₆ alkenyl, C₂-C₆ alkynyl, aryl C₂-C₆ alkynyl, or (heterocyclyl) C₂-C₆ alkynyl group, -R', -COR', -COOR', -CN, -CONR'R", -OR', -S(O)_qR', -SO₂NR'R", -B(OR")₂, -SnR"", wherein R' and R", the same or different, independently

represent hydrogen atom or an optionally further substituted straight or branched C₁-C₆ alkyl, C₂-C₆ alkenyl, saturated or unsaturated C₃-C₆ cycloalkyl, aryl, heterocyclyl, aryl C₁-C₆ alkyl or (heterocyclyl)C₁-C₆ alkyl; R" represents hydrogen, C₁-C₆ alkyl, or R", together with the two oxygen and the boron atoms, forms a saturated or unsaturated C₅-C₈ (hetero)cycloalkyl, optionally benzocondensed or substituted, and R" represents C₁-C₆ alkyl;

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 R_1 represents hydrogen atom or an optionally substituted group selected from -R', $-CH_2R$ ', -COR', -COOR', -COOR', -CONR'R", -NH-C(=NH)NHR', -C(=NH)NHR', $-S(O)_qR$ ', or $-SO_2NR$ 'R", wherein R' and R" are as defined above;

 R_2 represents hydrogen atom, -COR', -COOR', -CONR'R", -S(O)_q R', -SO₂NR'R", C₁-C₆ alkyl or (heterocyclyl)C₁-C₆ alkyl group, wherein R' and R" are as defined above;

 R_a , R_b , R_c and R_d , being the same or different, independently represent hydrogen atom, an optionally further substituted straight or branched C_1 - C_6 alkyl, aryl, heterocyclyl, aryl C_1 - C_6 alkyl, (heterocyclyl) C_1 - C_6 alkyl or - CH_2OR ' group, wherein R' is as above defined, or R_a and R_b and/or R_c and R_d , taken together with the carbon atom to which they are bonded, form an optionally substituted, saturated or unsaturated, C_3 - C_6 cycloalkyl group; q is 0, 1 or 2; m and n, each independently, represents 0 or 1, provided that m + n is equal to 1 and with the following further provisos:

- when m is 0 and n is 1, R₂ is hydrogen, R_a, R_b, R_c and R_d are hydrogen atoms or methyl groups, and R is hydrogen atom, hydroxy or methyl group, then R₁ is not hydrogen atom or methyl, benzyl, t-BOC, pyrimidyl, tetrahydrobenzindole, quinolinecarboxy, pyridobenzoxazino or naphtyridino group;
- when m is 0 and n is 1, R is an optionally substituted phenyl group, furanyl, thienyl, or carboxyethyl, and R₂, Ra, R_b, R_c and R_d are all hydrogen atoms, then R₁ is not

hydrogen atom or an acetyl, t-BOC, methylsulfonyl, i-propyl, methyl, ethyl, benzoyl or benzyl group;

- when m is 1 and n is 0, R is hydroxy and R_2 , R_a , R_b , R_c and R_d are all hydrogen atoms, then R_1 is not hydrogen atom or t-BOC, acetoxy, or benzyl group;
- when m is 1 and n is 0, R is methyl and R₂, R_a, R_b, R_c and R_d are hydrogen atoms or methyl group, then R₁ is not hydrogen atom;
- when m is 1 and n is 0, R is ethyl or propyl group, R_a, R_b, R_c and R_d are all hydrogen atoms, then R₁ is not p-methoxyphenyl, cyclopentyl,, dichlorophenyl, cyclobutyl, cyclohexyl, p-fluorophenyl or pyridyl group;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

14.(Currently Amended) [[A]] <u>The</u> compound of formula (I) according to claim 13 wherein R is H, I, Br, Cl, F, aryl, C₂-C₆ alkenyl, C₂-C₆ alkynyl, -B(OR")₂, -COR', -CONR'R", -CN, SO₂R', OR', SR', and R₁ is H, C₁-C₆ alkyl, aryl, -COR', -CONR'R", -COOR', -SO₂R', or -SO₂NR'R", and R₂ is H, -COOR', -COR', -CONR'R", C₁-C₆ alkyl, -SO₂R', or -SO₂NR'R", (heterocyclyl) C₁-C₆ alkyl group, wherein R' and R", the same or different, are selected from hydrogen or optionally substituted straight or branched C₁-C₆ alkyl, aryl or aryl C₁-C₆ alkyl groups;

 R_a , R_b , R_c and R_d , the same or different, are selected from hydrogen or straight or branched C_1 - C_3 alkyl or, taken together with the carbon atom to which they are bonded form a C_3 - C_6 cycloalkyl group.

15.(Currently Amended) [[A]] <u>The</u> compound of formula (I) according to claim 13 wherein R is selected from aryl, -COR', -CONR'R", wherein R' and R", the same or different, are selected from hydrogen or optionally substituted straight or branched C₁-C₆ alkyl, aryl or aryl C₁-C₆ alkyl groups.

16.(Currently Amended) [[A]] <u>The</u> compound of formula (I) according to claim 13 wherein R₁ is selected from H, C₁-C₆ alkyl, aryl, -COR', -CONR'R", COOR', -SO₂R' or -SO₂NR'R", wherein R' and R", the same or different, are selected from hydrogen or optionally substituted straight or branched C₁-C₆ alkyl, aryl or aryl C₁-C₆ alkyl groups.

17.(Currently Amended) [[A]] <u>The</u> compound of formula (I) according to claim 13 wherein R₂ is H, -COOR', -CONR'R", C₁-C₆ alkyl, wherein R' and R", the same or different, are selected from hydrogen or optionally substituted straight or branched C₁-C₆ alkyl, aryl or aryl C₁-C₆ alkyl groups.

18.(Currently Amendment) [[A]] <u>The</u> compound of formula (I) according to claim 13 which is selected from:

5-tert-butyloxycarbonyl-1-ethoxycarbonyl-pyrazolo[4,3-c]4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine;

5-tert-butyloxycarbonyl-2-ethyloxycarbonyl- pyrazolo [4,3-c] 4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine;

5-tert-butyloxycarbonyl-1(2)H- pyrazolo [4,3-c] 4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine;

3-iodo-5-isopropylaminocarbonyl-1(2)H- pyrazolo [4,3-c] 4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine;

5-tert-butyloxycarbonyl-1-(2-trimethylsilanyl-ethyloxymethyl)-pyrazolo[4,3-c]4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine;

- 5-tert-butyloxycarbonyl-2-(2-trimethylsilanyl-ethyloxymethyl)-pyrazolo[4,3-c]4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine;
- 3-boronicacid-5-tert-butyloxycarbonyl-1-(2-trimethylsilanyl-ethoxymethyl)-pyrazolo [4,3-c] 4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine;
- 3-boronic acid-5-tert-butyloxycarbonyl-2-(2-trimethylsilanyl-ethoxymethyl-pyrazolo [4,3-c] 4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine;
- 5-tert-butyloxycarbonyl-3-phenyl-1-(2-trimethylsilanyl-ethoxymethyl)-pyrazolo[4,3-c] 4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine;
- 1-ethoxycarbonyl-5-(3-methylbutanoyl)-3-iodo-pyrazolo[4,3-c]4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine;
 1-ethoxycarbonyl-5-isopropylaminocarbonyl-3-iodo-pyrazolo[4,3-c]4,5,6,7-tetrahydro
 pyridine;
- 5-isopropylaminocarbonyl-3-(pyrrol-2-yl)-pyrazolo [4,3-c] 4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine; 5-tert-butyloxycarbonyl-3-(1-tert-butyloxycarbonyl-pyrrol-2-yl)- pyrazolo [4,3-c] 4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine;
- 5-tert-butyloxycarbonyl-3-(1-tert-butyloxycarbonyl-indol-2-yl)-pyrazolo[4,3-c]4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine;
- 3-(1-tert-butyloxycarbonyl-indol-2-yl)-5-(3-methylbutanoyl)-pyrazolo[4,3-c]4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine;
 - 5-(3-methylbutanoyl)-3-(indol-2-yl)- pyrazolo [4,3-c] 4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine;
 - 5-tert-butyloxycarbonyl-1-ethoxycarbonyl-3-iodo-pyrazolo[4,3-c]4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine;
 - 5-tert-butyloxycarbonyl-3-iodo- pyrazolo [4,3-c] 4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine;
 - 5-tert-butyloxycarbonyl-3-phenyl- pyrazolo [4,3-c] 4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine:
 - 3-phenyl- pyrazolo [4,3-c] 4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine;

- 5-acetyl-3-phenyl- pyrazolo [4,3-c] 4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine;
- 5-isopropylaminocarbonyl-3-phenyl- pyrazolo [4,3-c] 4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine;
- 5-acetyl-3-(4-phenoxy-phenyl)- pyrazolo [4,3-c] 4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine;
- 5-isopropylaminocarbonyl-3-(4-phenoxy-phenyl)-pyrazolo[4,3-c]4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine;
- 5-acetyl-3-(4-benzyloxy-phenyl)- pyrazolo [4,3-c] 4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine;
- 3-(4-benzyloxy-phenyl)-5-isopropylaminocarbonyl-pyrazolo[4,3-c]4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine;
 - 5-acetyl-3-(5-chloro-thiophen-2-yl)- pyrazolo [4,3-c] 4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine;
- 3-(5-chloro-thiophen-2-yl)-5-isopropylaminocarbonyl-pyrazolo[4,3-c]4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine;
 - 5-acetyl-3-(4-methoxy-phenyl)- pyrazolo [4,3-c] 4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine;
 - 3-(4-methoxy-phenyl)-5-isopropylaminocarbonyl-pyrazolo[4,3-c]4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine;
 - 5-acetyl-3-(4-dimethylamino-phenyl)- pyrazolo [4,3-c] 4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine;
- 3-(4-dimethylamino-phenyl)-5-isopropylaminocarbonyl-pyrazolo[4,3-c]4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine;
 - 5-acetyl-3-phenylethynyl- pyrazolo [4,3-c] 4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine and
 - 5-isopropylaminocarbonyl-3-phenylethynyl- pyrazolo [4,3-c] 4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine.
- 19.(Currently Amended) A process for preparing the compounds of formula (I) or the pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof, as defined in according to claim 13, which process comprises:
 - a) submitting a compound of formula (II)

$$R_2$$
 R_2
 R_2
 R_2
 R_3
 R_4
 R_4
 R_5
 R_5
 R_6
 R_1
 R_4
 R_5
 R_6

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wherein R₁ is as defined in claim 13 but not hydrogen atom, and R_a, R_b, R_c, R_d, R₂, m and n are as defined in claim 13, to diazotation and subsequent appropriate quenching, thus obtaining a compound of formula (I)

wherein R₁ is as defined above but not hydrogen; R_a, R_b, R_c, R_d, R₂, m and n are as defined above, and R is hydrogen, iodine, bromine, chlorine or fluorine atom or a CN group;

b1) converting a thus obtained compound of formula (I) wherein R is I, Br, Cl into another compound of formula (I) wherein R is an optionally substituted aryl, C₂-C₆ alkenyl, C₂-C₆ alkynyl, -SR', -OR' or -COR' wherein R' is as defined in claim 13;

b2) converting a compound of formula (I) wherein R is hydrogen into another compound of formula (I) wherein R is -B(OR")₂, -SnR"", -COOR', -COR', C₁-C₆ alkyl or iodine, wherein R', R'" and R'" are as defined in claim 13;

c) converting a compound of formula (I) wherein R is -B(OR'")2 or -SnR'" as above defined

into another compound of formula (I) wherein R is an optionally substituted aryl, C₂-C₆ alkenyl, C₂-C₆ alkynyl;

d) optionally converting a compound of formula (I) into another different compound of formula (I), and, if desired, converting a compound of formula (I) into a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof or converting a salt into the free compound (I).

20.(Currently Amended) A process for preparing a compound of formula (I) as defined in according to claim 13, which process comprises:

[[P]] \underline{A}) reacting a compound of formula (I) wherein R, R_a, R_b, R_c, R_d, m and n are as defined in claim 13 and R₁ is as described defined in claim 13 but not hydrogen and R₂ is hydrogen, with a suitable solid support so as to obtain a compound of formula (III)

wherein R, R_a , R_b , R_c , R_d , m and n are as defined in claim 13, R_1 is as described above but not hydrogen, and Q is a solid support,

B) then, analogously to steps b1, b2, c and d described in according to claim 19, converting a thus obtained compound of formula (III) into another compound of formula (III) wherein R has the meanings reported defined in claim 19 for steps b1 to d and R₁, R_a, R_b, R_c, R_d, m and n are as defined in claim 13;

[[D]] C) cleaving a compound of formula (III) so as to eliminate the solid support and to obtain the desired compound of formula (I);

[[E]] D) optionally converting a compound of formula (I) into another different compound of formula (I), and, if desired, converting a compound of formula (I) into a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof or converting a salt into the free compound (I) as described above.

21.(Currently Amended) A compound of formula (III)

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
R & & & & Q \\
\hline
(CH_2)_m & & & (CH_2)_n \\
R_d & & & & & R_b \\
R_c & & & & & R_a
\end{array}$$
(III)

wherein R₁, R, R_a, R_b, R_c, R_d, m and n are as defined in claim 13, and Q is a solid support.

22.(Original) A compound of formula III according to claim 21 wherein the solid support that Q represents is a residue derived from a resin selected from the group consisting of isocyanate polystyrenic resin, 2-chloro-trityl chloride resin, trityl chloride resin, p-nitrophenyl carbonate Wang resin and the bromo-4-methoxyphenyl)methyl polystyrene.

23.(Currently Amended) A compound of formula III according to claim 21 or 22 which is selected from:

5-tert-butyloxycarbonyl-3-iodo-1-polystyrenemethylaminocarbonyl-pyrazolo[4,3-c]4,5,6,7-

tetrahydro pyridine;

5-tert-butyloxycarbonyl-3-phenyl-1-polystyrenemethylaminocarbonyl-pyrazolo[4,3-c] 4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine;

3-phenyl-1-polystyrenemethylaminocarbonyl-pyrazolo[4,3-c]4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine; 5-acetyl-3-phenyl-1-polystyrenemethylaminocarbonyl-pyrazolo[4,3-c] 4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine;

5-isopropylaminocarbonyl-3-phenyl-1-polystyrenemethylaminocarbonyl-pyrazolo [4,3-c] 4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine;

5-tert-butyloxycarbonyl-3-(4-phenoxy-phenyl)-1-polystyrenemethylaminocarbonyl-pyrazolo [4,3-c] 4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine;

3-(4-phenoxy-phenyl)-1-polystyrenemethylaminocarbonyl-pyrazolo[4,3-c]4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine;

5-acetyl-3-(4-phenoxy-phenyl)-1-polystyrenemethylaminocarbonyl-pyrazolo[4,3-c] 4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine;

5-isopropylaminocarbonyl-3-(4-phenoxy-phenyl)-1-polystyrenemethylaminocarbonyl-pyrazolo [4,3-c] 4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine;

3-(4-benzyloxy-phenyl)-5-tert-butyloxycarbonyl-1-polystyrenemethylaminocarbonyl-pyrazolo [4,3-c] 4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine;

3-(4-benzyloxy-phenyl)-1-polystyrenemethylaminocarbonyl-pyrazolo[4,3-c]4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine;

5-acetyl-3-(4-benzyloxy-phenyl)-1-polystyrenemethylaminocarbonyl-pyrazolo[4,3-c] 4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine;

3-(4-benzyloxy-phenyl)-5-isopropylaminocarbonyl-1-polystyrenemethylaminocarbonyl-

pyrazolo [4,3-c] 4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine;

5-tert-butyloxycarbonyl-3-(5-chloro-thiphen-2-yl)-1-polystyrenemethylaminocarbonyl-pyrazolo [4,3-c] 4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine;

3-(5-chloro-thiphen-2-yl) -1-polystyrenemethylaminocarbonyl-pyrazolo [4,3-c] 4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine;

5-acetyl-3-(5-chloro-thiphen-2-yl) -1-polystyrenemethylaminocarbonyl-pyrazolo [4,3-c] 4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine;

3-(5-chloro-thiphen-2-yl)-5-isopropylaminocarbonyl-1-polystyrenemethylaminocarbonyl-pyrazolo [4,3-c] 4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine;

5-tert-butyloxycarbonyl-3-(4-methoxy-phenyl)-1-polystyrenemethylaminocarbonyl-pyrazolo [4,3-c] 4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine;

3-(4-methoxy-phenyl)-1-polystyrenemethylaminocarbonyl-pyrazolo[4,3-c]4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine;

5-acetyl-3-(4-methoxy-phenyl)-1-polystyrenemethylaminocarbonyl-pyrazolo[4,3-c] 4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine;

5-isopropylaminocarbonyl-3-(4-methoxy-phenyl)-1-polystyrenemethylaminocarbonyl-pyrazolo [4,3-c] 4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine;

5-tert-butyloxycarbonyl-3-(4-dimethylamino-phenyl)-1-polystyrenemethylaminocarbonyl-pyrazolo [4,3-c] 4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine;

3-(4-dimethylamino-phenyl)-1-polystyrenemethylaminocarbonyl-pyrazolo[4,3-c] 4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine;

5-acetyl-3-(4-dimethylamino-phenyl)-1-polystyrenemethylaminocarbonyl-pyrazolo[4,3-c] 4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine;

3-(4-dimethylamino-phenyl)-5-isopropylaminocarbonyl-1-polystyrenemethylaminocarbonyl-pyrazolo [4,3-c] 4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine;

5-tert-butyloxycarbonyl-3-phenylethynyl-1-polystyrenemethylaminocarbonyl-pyrazolo [4,3-c] 4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine;

3-phenylethynyl-1-polystyrenemethylaminocarbonyl--pyrazolo [4,3-c] 4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine;

5-acetyl-3-phenylethynyl-1-polystyrenemethylaminocarbonyl-pyrazolo[4,3-c]4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine and

5-isopropylaminocarbonyl-3-phenylethynyl-1-polystyrenemethylaminocarbonyl- pyrazolo [4,3-c] 4,5,6,7-tetrahydro pyridine.

24.(Currently Amended) A process for preparing a compound of formula (III) as defined in according to claim 21, 22 or 23, which process comprises:

[[P]] A) reacting a compound of formula (I) wherein R, R_a , R_b , R_c , R_d , m and n are as defined in claim 13, R_1 is as described defined in claim 13 but not hydrogen and R_2 is hydrogen, with a suitable solid support so as to obtain a compound of formula (III)

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
R & & & & & & & & & \\
\hline
(CH_2)_m & & & & & & & \\
R_d & & & & & & & \\
R_c & & & & & & & \\
R_1 & & & & & & \\
\end{array}$$
(III)

wherein R, R_a, R_b, R_c, R_d, m and n are as defined in claim 13, R₁ is as described above but not hydrogen, and Q is a solid support,

B) then, analogously to steps b1, b2, c and d described in according to claim 19, optionally converting a thus obtained compound of formula (III) into another compound of formula (III) wherein R has the meanings reported defined in claim 19 for steps b1 to d and R₁, R_a, R_b, R_c, R_d, m and n are as defined in claim 13.

25.(Currently Amended) A library of two or more compounds of formula (I):

$$\begin{array}{c|c} R & & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & \\ & & & \\ & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & &$$

wherein R, R_1 , R_2 R_a , R_b , R_c , R_d m and n are as defined in claim 13, which can be obtained starting from one or more compound supported onto a solid support of the formula (III) as defined in according to claim 20 or 21.

26.(Currently Amended) A pharmaceutical composition comprising a therapeutically effective amount of a compound of formula (I), as defined in according to claim 13, and at least one pharmaceutically acceptable carrier and/or diluent.

27.(Original) A pharmaceutical composition according to claim 26 further comprising one or more chemotherapeutic agents.

28.(Currently Amended) A product comprising a compound of formula (I) as defined in according to claim 13 or a pharmaceutical composition thereof as defined in claim 22, and one or more chemotherapeutic agents, as a combined preparation for simultaneous, separate or sequential use in anticancer therapy.

29.(Currently Amended) A compound of formula (I), as defined in according to claim 13, for use as a medicament.

30.(Currently Amended) Use of a compound of formula (I), as defined in according to claim 1, in the manufacture of a medicament with antitumor activity.